

Minutes of the Mt. Vernon – Black Township Park and Recreation Board Meeting January 16th, 2008

The Mt. Vernon – Black Township Parks and Recreation Department Board held its' monthly meeting on Wednesday, January 16th, 2008, at the Kiwanis Senior Citizen Center at 6:00 p.m. Attending the meeting was: Park Board President – Ron Bennett, Members – Linc Baro, Kay Cox and Synda Waters, Superintendent John Tate and Park Board Secretary- Debra Scott.

Members not present were: Kelly Cox.

The motion to authorize payment of claims was made by Linc Baro and seconded by Synda Waters. Motion Carried.

The motion to approve the minutes as written or corrected from the December 19th, 2007, meeting was made by Synda Waters and seconded by Linc Baro. Motion carried.

The motion to approve the balance of accounts to be entered into the minutes subject to audit for January 16th, 2008, was made by Synda Waters and seconded by Linc Baro. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

1. MVYB Agreement- Mr. Tate stated that the MVYB organization held its meeting on Sunday, January 13th, which he attended. Mr. Tate stated the meeting was not advertised in the local newspaper, but was posted on the Park & Recreation's website. Mr. Tate stated the MVYB agreement has been signed.
2. Cumulative Capital Fund- Mr. Tate stated he had no news about the Cumulative Capital Fund, with the money situation being in the shape that it is. Mr. Tate stated he would e-mail City Attorney Beth McFadin Higgins, and see about setting up an appointment to discuss the issue.
3. Girls Rural Softball (Fence) - Mr. Tate stated at last month's Park Board meeting, the Board gave their consent for the Girls Softball to move their fence back enough to make it a regulation softball field. As of meeting time Mr. Tate had not heard from the Girls Rural Softball Association.
4. Transfers and Encumbered Funds- Mr. Tate stated at last month's meeting the Transfers and Encumbered Funds were discussed, as of this meeting Mr. Tate has no new information to report.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Financial Situation- Mr. Tate passed out a financial report based on the last five years or so, and compared it to the funds the department has to date. Mr. Tate stated that the City Clerk Treasurer wanted him to bring to the Board's attention that the Park Department owes the City \$120,000.00. Mr. Tate stated the Parks Department received an advance last week of \$13,000.00. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Bennett said he would make a trip to City Hall and visit the City

Clerk Treasurer. The financial situation has been tabled until the next Board meeting.

2. Year end Report- Mr. Tate handed the Board each a copy of the Year end report. Mr. Tate stated this report is a yearly requirement for City Council. Mr. Tate suggested the Board take home the Year End Report.
3. CPO Course for Pool Manager- Mr. Tate stated that a Certified Pool Operators class is being held in Chicago the week of January 21st. Ruth Fulwider had requested that she attend the course. The certifications good for five years and Ms Fulwider has not completed the course over the past six years. With the current financial situation the board did not think the timing was right for the Chicago course. The course will be offered again in May at Indianapolis. The board recommended she attend in May.

After reviewing the current budget, Mrs. Kay Cox questioned if all the full-time positions were needed. Mrs. Cox asked if certain positions could be changed to seasonal or part-time. After a brief discussion, Mr. Bennett suggested this topic be placed on the agenda for the February meeting.

Motion was made to adjourn by Kay Cox and seconded by Linc Baro.

Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned

John Tate, Superintendent

Ron Bennett, Board President

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 20th, 2008, at the Kiwanis Senior Citizens Center.